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Just opened at the Laporte Tannery.  
Custom work solicited. All work guaranteed.

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To Cure Constipation Forever.  
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c.  
If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

**Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.**  
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever.  
10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

## We have been Cleaning House

For some time, but we are through at last. We are all fixed up in apple pie order for the

## Spring Trade

with the largest and best stock of goods we have ever had.

Something for Everybody, come and look us over before purchasing. We think we can please the most critical buyer in Sullivan county.

Respectfully Yours,

**RETTENBURY, THE JEWELER.**  
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PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES and GLASS.

SPECIAL inducements given

## STOVES and RANGES

and all kinds of HEATING STOVES

for Wood or Coal, suitable for parlors, halls, churches, school houses, camps, etc. Attention to a line of Cheap air-tight wood heaters from \$3.00 to \$10.00. Also a line of coal heaters from \$2.50 up to \$35.00.

My Special Bargain Sale is open on a line of heaters slightly damaged by water. Good as new, but they must be sold CHEAP. If in need of a cheap heater, call early.

My "Dockash" Ranges are without a question the finest in the market, made up of the best material and designed to be a handsome Range. Furnaces always the best on the market. In fact we are ready to heat the universe either in hot water, steam or air. Try us, we guarantee satisfaction.

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### Screen Doors

Ready to hang 75c 1.00 1.25  
Window Screens 15c, 25c, 35c.

### ICE CREAM FREEZERS

Best Make 1.90 up to 6.75.

### HAMMOCKS

50c up to 3.75.

### FISHING TACKEL.

Great variety. Cloth Baskets, 50c and up. Can't be beat for the same money.

Western Washers 3.50. Clothes wringers 1.50 and up. White enameled, all iron beds 4.50 up to 9.00. Bed springs, woven wire, 1.75 up to 3.00 to suit. Couches and lounges 4.75 to 15.00. Baby carriages, 4.50 up to 15.00. All goods delivered to your R.R. station.

**Jeremiah Kelly,**  
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## BACK TO RANK AND HONOR

Court of Cassation Has Ordered Dreyfus Back From Devil's Island.

INNOCENCE PRESUMED.

The Captain's Cross of Legion of Honor to be Returned to Him With Military Belongings.

Decision of Court of Cassation Places Captain Dreyfus in New Position—To Return to France Immediately for New Court Martial—The Trial to Take Place at Rennes.

Paris, June 6.—After a three-hour session the Dreyfus sentence of life imprisonment on Devil's Island for treason was quashed by the Court of Cassation.

The assembled Judges of all the branches of this supreme tribunal of France then ordered that Dreyfus be given a new trial before the military court to sit at Rennes.

The decision places Dreyfus in the position of a "preventive"—an accused man who, while awaiting trial, is presumed to be innocent.

The Colonial Minister has instructed M. Deniel, the chief official at the penal settlement at Cayenne, to restore to the prisoner his military belongings and his cross of the Legion of Honor.

Albert Dreyfus will then resume his rank as Capt. Dreyfus.

He is to be placed in charge of a Lieutenant of the Gendarmierie and addressed as "Mon Capitaine."

He will return to France immediately, it is expected, on the steam packet



CAPT. DREYFUS.

Jaiffay, now at Cayenne, landed at Rochefort, on the west coast, and given into the hands of the military authorities there for conveyance to Rennes, which is in that region.

By agreement between the defence and the Government Prosecutor, probably the court-martial will deal only with the bordereau. So the proceedings will be brief and formal.

Then will come an order for his rehabilitation on the parade ground of the Military School on the Champs de Mars, where he was drummed out of the army Jan. 5, 1895, after his sword was broken and he was stripped of insensibility of rank.

If Du Paty de Clam dies in the Clerche Mill prison, where five years ago he sent Dreyfus, dramatic justice will be done, but this fellow has not abandoned hope.

Washington, June 6.—The decision in the Dreyfus case excited much interest in official and diplomatic quarters, particularly at the French Embassy, and the disposition was to accept the conclusions of the Court as final and for the best interests of all concerned. Those holding responsible posts were unwilling to discuss the a case which has aroused such keen feeling, but in a well-informed quarter it was said that the decision was particularly important in taking the trial to the quiet Brittany town of Rennes. This removes the case from the excitement and contention of Paris, and allows the future inquiries to proceed calmly.

### Suicide a Convict's Wife.

Boston, Mass., June 5.—It is accepted as a fact that the woman who committed suicide in San Francisco, and was known as Mrs. Herbert Clark, was the wife of Clarence Murphy, former teller of the Salem Savings Bank, who is now in States Prison. Murphy was detected in 1893 in a shortage amounting to about \$47,000. On the day of the discovery he excused himself from the director's room for a moment, and, taking \$500 more, escaped with his horse and buggy. Just before his detection he had married Miss Margaret Sullivan, of South Boston, who inherited a comfortable fortune from her father, Colonel Stable Barry Sullivan, and had lived with her sister in a handsome house in East Sixth street. She was a very handsome girl and was infatuated with Murphy, although the marriage was strongly opposed by her family.

### Blind Man a Murderer.

Unfoltown, Pa., June 5.—Mrs. Minerva Monaghan was murdered in her home on Jefferson street by Councilman William McCormack, who was also seriously injured by her daughter, Mrs. Gertrude McGogan, and his rival, Richard Diffenderfer. The tragedy was committed in a fit of jealousy. The murderer is blind, and it is marvelous that one in his condition could commit the crimes he did.

### MORE HARD FIGHTING

A Vigorous Campaign Being Put up by Americans in Philippines.

Manila, June 6.—A vigorous campaign was begun against Gen. Pio del Pilar's force of 3,000 natives in the hills at the mouth of Laguna de Bay and in the towns of Caluta, Taytay and Antipolo, under the supervision of Gen. Lawton. Gen. Hall, with twenty-five hundred men, moved southeast from the pumping station, and Colonel Whalley, who relieved Gen. King in command of his brigade, proceeded east from San Pedro Macati, the two divisions approaching each other.

Col. Whalley captured Caluta with small loss, the natives fleeing before the advance of United States troops. Gen. Hall drove the Filipinos from the vicinity of Marikina, sweeping them toward Col. Whalley's column.

Manila, June 6.—The position of the American troops indicates that they will sweep the peninsula of Morong, the land projecting to the south into Laguna de Bay, where the insurgents are supposed to have a large force. The town of Morong, as well as the battery on the western shore of the peninsula which recently smashed the propeller of the gunboat Napidan. Gen. Hall is marching from Antipolo, about six and a half miles northwest of Morong, toward the peninsula, with his forces spread out to cover a large section. The gunboats Napidan, Covadonga and Oeste are in position to cooperate. In the running fight that took place and lasted a full day the Filipinos were badly whipped.

### Mrs. Eddy Defends Christian Science.

Boston, June 5.—The followers of Christian Science observed communion day with four largely attended services at the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in his city. Thousands flocked into the edifice. As fast as the brief services were finished and the congregation had departed another great concourse streamed into the church and the service was repeated. Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, the head of the church, was not present. But her annual message to the mother church was read by John W. Reeder.

### Husband and Wife Fought to Death.

Lexington, Ga., June 5.—News has just reached here of an unusual duel between husband and wife which happened three miles south of this place. Moses Shirley, a well-known farmer, returned to his home in the evening, and it is reported his wife assaulted him with a clawhammer. He wrestled with her and secured the weapon. She then hurled a heavy buggy wrench at him, and finally became so violent that he shot her twice in self-defense.

### Whirlwind About a Shaft.

Rahway, N. J., June 5.—At the Essex Felting Mills Charles Schweitzer, a machinist, was caught by a shaft, whirled about a number of times and thrown twenty feet to the floor. The only clothing left on him was one trousers leg. He has been unconscious since the accident. No bones were broken. It is thought there is a congestion of blood in the brain. He is not likely to recover.

### Fought Over a Game of Cards.

Vincennes, Ind., June 5.—Policeman James Bouchie and Harvey Lane, a saloonkeeper, fought over a game of cards. Lane pounded Bouchie's face to a mass. In the encounter the officer pulled his gun and attempted to shoot the saloonkeeper, but the revolver was wrenched from his grasp. Bouchie, badly worsted, went to his home and got a Winchester rifle and returned and shot three times at Lane, but without effect.

### From a Merchant's Suicide.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 5.—Samuel Hexter of the firm of Hexter Brothers, wholesale clothing merchants, died here from injuries received by jumping from a second story window of his home on North Broad street. Mr. Hexter's mind had been clouded for some time as the result of shock due to witnessing his brother being crushed to death in an elevator accident.

### Nash's Partner Run Against Him.

Cleveland, O., June 5.—The leading candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor is Congressman Lutz of Columbus, who, it is said, has twice as many delegates as his most formidable rival, Col. Kilbourne. Lutz and Judge Nash the Republican candidate, are law partners. They have been associated in the practice of law for years.

### Farmer and Wife Murdered.

Austin, Texas, June 5.—One of the most horrible murders known in the criminal annals of Texas was committed near Manor, this county, the victims being G. W. Engburg and his wife a well-to-do young couple who resided on a farm there. The crime was discovered when the two bodies were found lying in the bedroom of their home.

### Columbus, Ohio, June 5.—Edward D. Crowe, who has been suffering from a dropsical affection for some time, was seized with a fit of coughing and choked to death before he could be relieved.

## ARE UNGRATEFUL BEASTS

That is the Compliment Paid by By Army Board of Claims to Cubans.

COWARDLY AND CRUEL

Claims of \$450,000 Reduced to \$8,500 and Recommends in Fairness the Latter Amount

The Most Absurd and Extravagant Demands Made By Cuban Claimants—Complained That Fields Near Santiago Were Disfigured by the Graves of Our Heroic Dead Soldiers.

Washington, June 6.—The Army Board of Claims, organized to examine the Cuban claims in the province of Santiago has made its report to the War Department. The report is signed by Major Boardman, of the Fifth Infantry, president of the Board, and he gives the Cuban character about as black an aspect as ever given in a public report. The report has not been made public, but the following extracts show its character:

"We have the honor to report that all the business before the Army Board of Claims has been disposed of, except the claim of Brooks & Co., for \$3,000 for the use and destruction of one lighter.

"Since our connection with the board dating from February 24, 1899, to the present day, we have investigated and disposed of fifty cases, involving, in round numbers, \$450,000. Of this sum we have found only \$8,500, which we think the United States either in law or morals is called upon to pay, and in recommending that this sum be paid we were prompted more by the spirit of equality than strict justice.

"Our duties upon this board have brought us in contact with every class and condition of Cuban citizenship, and we regret to report that qualities and characteristics have been revealed in the prosecution of these investigations which are not creditable to any people. Ninety-five per cent. of the claims considered were conceived in a spirit of dishonesty, and supported almost entirely by the most unblushing falsehoods. In truth, the most absurd and extravagant demands were made, and universally a crowd of witnesses compassed us about, ready to swear to any proposition which was deemed necessary by the unscrupulous claimant whose tool they were, to aid in robbing the United States Government.

Unmindful of the fact that the United States had expended large sums of money, and sacrificed some of her brightest and purest men for Cuban liberty, still we find these people demanding that rent be paid them by the United States for the land which the American soldiers occupied while actually fighting Cuba's battle around Santiago. Worse still, they complained bitterly that their fields should be disfigured by the temporary graves of our peerless patriotic dead. They have also endeavored to make the United States pay for property and repair losses for which the Cuban and Spanish armies were responsible damage done long before the American army landed upon the island of Cuba.

"Such a want of appreciation, such beastly ingratitude, would cause the callous-hearted cowardly coyote to cover himself with shame. Yet, the average Cuban claimant, with an air of persecuted and injured innocence, makes his demand as though he were the benefactor and the American the beneficiaries. They are as conscienceless as a cancer and as cruel as they are cowardly. We sincerely hope that when these cases come before Congress for payment that the facts may be known as we know them, and that justice may be dealt out strictly to this lot of deliberate would-be robbers."

Thirty Indians Drowned.

Seattle, Wash., June 5.—A telegram from Laggan, Alberta, announces the drowning of thirty Indians in a collision between two war canoes on the Lake of the Clouds, near the Canadian Pacific Railway line. The Indians were coming to the spring "potlatch," a ceremony of religious rites and the exchange of presents among tribesmen which was to be held near Laggan.

### Predicts a Subsidy Bill.

Washington, June 5.—Chairman Payne, of the House Ways and Means Committee, in an interview, expressed the opinion that the next Congress would pass a bill for the encouragement of the merchant marine by granting subsidies. He also expressed the opinion that a currency bill would be passed.

Death and Disaster on Klondike Trail.

Victoria, B. C., June 5.—Passengers by the steamer Danube, from the North, bring stories of death and disaster to prospectors on the Edmonton trail. At least fifty boats, they say, have capsized on the Great Slave Lake since last summer, resulting in the drowning of many prospectors.

### Hot Weather Benefits Foreign Crops.

London, June 5.—The hot summer weather which has recently set in has been very beneficial for wheat in Great Britain and on the Continent. Reports received from the principal grain producing centres are favorable for a good crop.

### Bank Accountant Missing.

Ottawa, Ont., June 5.—John H. Henderson, an accountant of the Union Bank, has been missing since June 29, and it is charged that by false entries he robbed the bank of about \$30,000.